Texas Chefs Association

Chapter Meeting Minutes
Brazos Valley Chefs Association

Meeting Date: October 4, 2017
Meeting Time: Called to order 6:02 P.M. adjourned 6:32 P.M.
Meeting Place: Circle X Country Store, 1415 E. Old San Antonio Rd. Bryan

Meeting called to order by: Mark Torres, Director

Recognize host: Luis Becerra, CEC – Alfonso Gonzalez, CEC

Attending members:
Mark Torres, Director
Carolyn Becerra, Secretary/Treasurer
Josh Neubauer, Membership
Alfonso Gonzalez, CEC
Luis Becerra, CEC
Beverley Kellman
Mohamed Thiaw

Call for the past meeting minutes to be accepted:

Motion from the floor made by: Alfonso Gonzalez, CEC
Motion seconded by: Josh Neubauer

Motion to accept past minutes as read was: Carried

Treasurer's Report: Given by Carolyn Becerra

Membership Report: Given by Chef Josh Neubauer

A.) Josh Neubauer has been in contact with the George Hotel that will be opening in our area in the near future. They are a full-service hotel with a large culinary staff. The Executive Chef indicated that he would like to join the organization and thought that several of his staff might also be interested. He wanted more information once the hotel was actually opened as right now they have too much to finish prior to the opening.

Directors Report: Given by Chef Mark Torres

A.) Mark Torres has spoken with the Mushroom Festival organizers and the mushrooms will be delivered to Rudder High School on Monday morning.

A-1) Carolyn Becerra has been coordinating with Ben E. Keith and they are set to deliver to Rudder High School on Tuesday morning. She is also working with them to see if they will donate the rolls for the dinner, or whether we will need to order and pay for those.
A-2) Mohamed Thiaw has worked with Scarmardo Produce and they will be delivering the bulk of the produce to Rudder High School on Tuesday and the greens for the salad on Thursday.

B.) Mark Torres has coordinated with the Mushroom Festival organizer to get the BVCA the necessary equipment for the dinner. In the past they have brought in what they thought we would need rather than asking us, so this year we took it upon ourselves to inform them what we need so we do not have unneeded equipment in our way on the stage.

C.) Mark Torres will be bringing for sure 6 and possibly 7 students to help the night of the dinner.

New Business:

A.) Mark Torres brought up the fact that Carolyn Becerra does a lot of traveling for various reasons for the BVCA and the BVCA should be compensating her since the association is who receives the benefit of her travels. The motion was made by Mark Torres, seconded by Josh Neubauer and carried by 100% of voting members to reimburse Carolyn Becerra for travel.

B.) Carolyn Becerra delivered all of our auction items to the mushroom festival organizer in Madisonville on Tuesday so that they could be photographed and put into the auction magazine.

C.) The chef at the Hilton has invited the chef BVCA to work with him and the culinary students from the "Prostart" schools in the area to do a fund-raising dinner for the student's programs. Mark Torres will be working with the chef to get more information on when they are looking to hold the dinner and what they need from us.

Adjournment
Motion from the floor made by: Chef Mark Torres
Motion seconded by: Alfonso Gonzalez, CEC
Motion to adjourn the meeting was: Carried

The next chapter meeting will be, Wednesday, November 1st. We will be meeting at Circle X Country Store 6:00 P.M.